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Letter dated 30 November 2010 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

In my capacity as President of the Security Council, I am transmitting herewith a letter dated 19 November 2010 from the Chairman of the Security Council Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict established by resolution 1612 (2005), based on the Working Group's conclusions on children and armed conflict in Nepal adopted on 9 November 2010 (S/AC.51/2010/4) (see annex).

(*Signed*) Mark Lyall **Grant**
President of the Security Council

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Annex to the letter dated 30 November 2010 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

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On 29 April 2010, the Security Council Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict established by the Security Council in its resolution 1612 (2005) examined the report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict in Nepal (S/2010/183). At its 27th meeting, on 9 November 2010, the Working Group adopted its conclusions on children and armed conflict in Nepal (S/AC.51/2010/4).

In follow-up to the recommendations of the Working Group, which were approved by the Security Council, and subject to and consistent with applicable international law and relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 1612 (2005) and 1882 (2009), I am entrusted, in my capacity as Chairman of the Working Group, to commend the efforts undertaken by the United Nations to contribute actively to the protection of children in Nepal, including the action plan that was signed with the Government and the Unified Communist Party of Nepal-Maoist on 16 December 2009, in accordance with the Nepal peace agreement, the recommendation in the report of the Secretary-General (S/2008/259) and the conclusions of the Security Council Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict (S/AC.51/2008/12).

The Working Group requests you to ensure that the United Nations continues monitoring the compliance of the Unified Communist Party of Nepal-Maoist with the action plan and with the requirements under resolutions 1612 (2005) and 1882 (2009), with particular attention to whether discharged minors are forced or otherwise coerced into association with groups that engage in political violence. The Working Group also kindly requests you to ensure that a child protection capacity is preserved in phasing out the activities of the United Nations Mission in Nepal, with a view to facilitating, inter alia, the discharge of all children in the containment camps.

The Working Group commends the work of the working group of the Children Associated with Armed Forces or Armed Groups.

(*Signed*) Claude **Heller**
Chairman
Security Council Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict